FluBytes



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2014-15 INFLUENZA VISs COMING SOON

According to <u>CDC's website</u>, the 2014-15 influenza VISs are coming soon! The two VISs (IIV and LAIV) for the 2014-15 season are undergoing final approval and are anticipated to be available in early August. In the meantime, continue to use the 2013-14 VISs. Do not defer flu vaccination because you don't have this season's VIS.

NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH

August is National Immunization Awareness Month! Make sure to check out the National Public Health Information Coalition's toolkit that has key messages, vaccine information, sample news releases and articles, sample social media messages, and links to resources from CDC and others.

Next week, August 3-9, focuses on A Health Start (birth to age 2 and pregnant women). The week of August 10-16 focuses on Back to School (children through 18 years).

ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR 2014 AIM AWARD

The AIM Outstanding Achievement Award recognizes individuals and organizations who consistently work to promote and increase immunizations. The AIM Coalition is accepting nominations for the 2014 Outstanding Achievement Award. Nominations must be submitted by close of business on August 25. Winners will be announced at a Fall Regional Immunization Conference and the November AIM meeting.

AVIAN INFLUENZA A(H7N9) NEWS AND JOURNAL ARTICLES

 Mild influenza A/H7N9 infection among children in Guangdong province

AVIAN INFLUENZA A(H5N1) NEWS AND JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Heterologous prime-boost vaccination using H5N1-ASO3adjuvanted influenza vaccine in infants and children under 3 years of age
 - Results support prime-boost vaccination approach in young children for pandemic preparedness

OTHER INFLUENZA-RELATED NEWS

- US flu vaccine supply expected to top 150 million doses
- H5N8 avian flu resurfaces in South Korea
- Swine influenza in a third of pig herds in Scotland,
 Northern Ireland
- Biota's influenza drug fails in mid-stage study
- Watch 'Vaccines Calling the Shots' on PBS September
 10, 9 PM

CDC'S IMMUNIZATION WORKS NEWSLETTER POSTED

The July issue of CDC's Immunization Works newsletter is now <u>available</u>. This issue contains information on influenza, including flu season resources and information on <u>Health</u> Map Vaccine Finder.

ALANA'S FOUNDATION ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Join <u>Alana's Foundation</u> for their 2014 Cruisin' Summer Concert Bash! This year's event will be Thursday, August 14 at the Crofoot Ballroom in Pontiac. Visit their website for more information.

INFLUENZA-RELATED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- CIDRAP: Researchers retract H1N1 vaccine narcolepsy study
- <u>Determinants of uptake of influenza vaccination among</u> pregnant women
 - Inadequate knowledge of risks of flu, doubts about vaccine safety, efficacy, and benefits, and fear of adverse reactions are barriers to vaccination
 - Positive vaccination recommendations from HCP would improve vaccine acceptance
- Pre- and postpandemic estimates of 2009 pandemic influenza A(H1N1) seroprotection to inform surveillancebased incidence, by age, during the 2013-14 epidemic in Canada
 - Incidence was highest among children <5 years and working-age adults
- <u>Use of influenza antiviral agents by ambulatory care</u> clinicians during the 2012-13 influenza season
 - Antivirals prescribed infrequently among outpatients with flu
- <u>Human infection with influenza virus A(H10N8) from live</u> poultry markets, China, 2014
 - Human cases in China could have derived from strains circulating at live poultry markets

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